**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A flashlight, ~~including~~comprising:

a housing, ~~having~~ including an ~~at least one~~ aperture ~~therethrough~~, a first end, and a second end;

a light source within the housing, wherein the light source is located nearer to the first end of the housing relative to the second end of the housing;

a power source within the housing;

a first tapered slot located on a first side of the housing and a second tapered slot located on an opposite side of the housing, wherein the first and second tapered slots extend along a length of the housing between the first and second ends and taper inward in a direction from the first end to the second end, and ~~wherein~~ the ~~housing includes a side with a~~first and second tapered ~~slot~~ slots are~~that is~~ received by a base charging unit when the flashlight is inserted into the base charging unit to charge the power source;

an electrical switch ~~means associated with the housing~~ accessible through the aperture, wherein the electrical switch is configured to toggle ~~for forming~~ an electrical circuit that is in electrical communication with ~~between~~ the light source and the power source~~, said electrical switch means cooperating with said aperture to allow a user to actuate said switch means~~ between an open circuit ~~open~~ and a closed circuit ~~closed condition~~;

a resilient cover extending over the electrical switch ~~means~~ and providing a waterproof seal for the housing preventing ingress of water through said aperture; and

at least one indicator ~~means~~ being visible through said cover at least when said indicator ~~means~~ is illuminated, wherein said indicator ~~means~~ is configured to illuminate when said switch ~~means~~ is in said circuit open condition and said flashlight receives power only from said power source.

2. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one indicator ~~means~~ continuously flashes using power from the power source so long as the power source provides suitable power to illuminate the indicator means.

3. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one indicator ~~means~~ includes a light source for indicating a status of the power source.

4. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim 3, wherein said at least one indicator ~~means~~ includes a light source for indicating a recharging status of the power source.

5. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim 3, wherein said at least one indicator ~~means~~ includes a light source for indicating a discharging status of the power source.

6. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said aperture is provided in a recess in said housing.

7. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 6, wherein said cover cooperates with a rim of said recess to provide a waterproof seal.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said switch is actuated by a switch actuator which passes through said aperture, to enable a user to push said actuator to actuate said switch.

10. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one indicator ~~means~~ includes at least one LED.

11. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one indicator ~~means~~ passes through said housing.

12. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, including at least a pair of indicator ~~means~~, wherein each of the indicator ~~means~~ indicates a different state of the flashlight.

13. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, including three indicators ~~indicator means~~, wherein a first indicator ~~means~~ illuminates when the power source is recharging, a second indicator ~~means~~ illuminates when the power source is fully charged, and a third indicator ~~means~~ continuously intermittently blinks when power is available from the power source.

14. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claim in claim 1, wherein the at least one~~or each~~ indicator ~~means~~ is disposed under the resilient cover.

15. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least part of the resilient cover is translucent.

16. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least part of the resilient cover is transparent.

17. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cover is of an elastomeric or polymeric material.

18. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cover includes silicon.

19. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein the power source includes a rechargeable battery.

20. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim 19, wherein said flashlight includes ~~connection means~~connector for connecting said rechargeable battery to an external power supply to recharge the battery.

21. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim 20, wherein said flashlight includes a recharging circuit, to which said indicator ~~means~~ is electrically connected.

22. (Currently amended) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said indicator ~~means~~ is visible through said cover, when said indicator ~~means~~ is or is not indicating a status of said power source.

23. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 1, wherein said flashlight is a waterproof flashlight.

24-30. (Cancelled)

31. (Previously presented) A waterproof flashlight including:

a flashlight housing defining an electrical contact aperture opening therethrough;

a flashlight electrical contact for electrical connection of the flashlight to a power source external to the flashlight, the flashlight electrical contact extending from inside the housing through the aperture and being disposed partly outside the flashlight housing and including a flange located outside of the housing that provides a shoulder adjacent the housing;

resilient sealing means sandwiched between the shoulder and the flashlight housing to establish a water tight seal between the shoulder and the housing; and

contact connection means for connecting the flashlight electrical contact to the flashlight housing, the contact connection means extending from the flashlight electrical contact through the contact aperture and including securement means securing the contact connection means in relation to the flashlight housing such that the shoulder maintains the sealing means under compression.

32. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the resilient sealing means is an elastomeric washer.

33. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the contact connection means includes a shaft portion extending from the flashlight electrical contact.

34. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the securement means is disposed within the flashlight housing and is constituted by a deformable portion of the contact connection means, configured to be rolled downwards to press against the inside of the housing, urging the shoulder towards the housing, which generates the compression so as to lock the contact connection means and hence the flashlight electrical contact, in place relative to the flashlight.

35. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31 including a washer disposed between the deformable portion and an inner wall of the flashlight housing.

36. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the flashlight electrical contact and the contact connection means are a unitary component.

37. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 36, wherein the unitary component is in the form of a rivet.

38. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the shoulder is defined by a flange.

39. (Previously presented) The flashlight as claimed in claim 31, wherein the flashlight housing defines a recess having a recess floor, the flashlight electrical contact being disposed within the recess and projecting from the contact aperture and outwardly from the recess floor.

40. (New) The flashlight of claim 1, wherein each of the first and second tapered slots includes:

a broad open end;

a narrow closed end;

a floor coupled to and extending between the broad and narrows ends;

an upper surface; and

a lower surface, wherein the upper and lower surfaces are coupled to and extend between the broad and narrows ends along the floor, and the upper and lower surfaces curve towards each other from the broad end to the narrow end.